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Subject: Legal Status of individuals receiving state services		

STATE AGENCIES EG INCREASE GF EX See Note Page 1 of 2
 Provides for the gathering of data relative to the legal status of individuals receiving state services. (gov sig)

Proposed law establishes the State Services and Benefits Legal Status Accountability Act, relative to the legal status of individuals receiving state services. Proposed law provides for the responsibilities of certain state agencies; provides for annual reporting and publication of data; provides for data collection and verification; and provides for penalties. Proposed law requires the Louisiana Department of Health (LDH), State Department of Education (DOE), Office of Motor Vehicles (OMV), Governor's Office of Homeland Security and Emergency Preparedness (GOHSEP), Department of Public Safety and Corrections, Department of Children and Family Services (DCFS), Louisiana Department of Revenue (LDR), and Louisiana Higher Education institutions to determine the legal status of individuals receiving state services and benefits and to calculate and report annually to the Department of Justice (DOJ) and the legislature the total dollar value of services and benefits provided to individuals identified as "illegal aliens" or unaccompanied alien children" as defined by federal law. Proposed law shall be subject to appropriation of funds by the legislature for this purpose.

EXPENDITURES	2025-26	2026-27	2027-28	2028-29	2029-30	5 -YEAR TOTAL
State Gen. Fd.	INCREASE	INCREASE	INCREASE	INCREASE	INCREASE	
Agy. Self-Gen.	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0
Ded./Other	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0
Federal Funds	INCREASE	INCREASE	INCREASE	INCREASE	INCREASE	
Local Funds	INCREASE	INCREASE	INCREASE	INCREASE	INCREASE	
Annual Total						
REVENUES	2025-26	2026-27	2027-28	2028-29	2029-30	5 -YEAR TOTAL
State Gen. Fd.	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0
Agy. Self-Gen.	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0
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Federal Funds	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0
Local Funds	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0
Annual Total	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0

EXPENDITURE EXPLANATION

Proposed law is anticipated to increase expenditures for DOE (\$160,517), DPS (\$291,130), DCFS (\$305,559), LDR (\$2 M), and Higher Education institutions (\$490,000), required to provide the total dollar value of services and benefits provided to illegal aliens or unaccompanied alien children by a total of at least \$3.2 M based on the information provided below in FY 26 and subsequent fiscal years. A detailed explanation by agency is provided below.

LDH: LDH reports no fiscal impact associated with this legislation. Medicaid and all other applicable LDH facilities and offices are able to provide the required information and report to the DOJ and legislature annually.

DOE: The department reports an anticipated increase in SGF expenditures of \$160,517 and local funds of an indeterminable amount associated with the collections and reporting of the required information in FY 26. DOE anticipates the need for "a minimum" of one (1) Attorney 4 position (\$138,524 - Salary/Fringe Benefits) to support guidance to schools/school systems regarding the collection and reporting of the required information annually. The specific workload is indeterminable at this time. In addition, the department anticipates the need for approximately \$6,150 in expenditures for enhancements to existing collections of student information, and \$15,843 for telephone, rent, computer equipment, supplies, cell phone, and desk phone, for a total cost of \$160,517 in FY 26. There will be an indeterminable impact on local fund expenditures for schools/school systems to collect, organize, and accurately report the required information to DOE annually. This is due to the difference in student populations, staffing structures, and the need to define guidance and collections.

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REVENUE EXPLANATION

There is no anticipated direct material effect on governmental revenues as a result of this measure. However, if any agency fails to comply with the provisions of this legislation, funding may be withheld until compliance is achieved, which would result in a loss of funding to noncompliant agencies.

Senate Dual Referral Rules
 13.5.1 >= \$100,000 Annual Fiscal Cost {S & H}
 13.5.2 >= \$500,000 Annual Tax or Fee Change {S & H}

House
 6.8(F)(1) >= \$100,000 SGF Fiscal Cost {H & S}
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DPS/OMV: Services provided by the Office of Motor Vehicles are not offered to illegal aliens, and policies and procedures are in place to verify legal presence. However, the department reports an anticipated increase in SGF expenditures of \$291,130 for two (2) business analytics specialists, overtime for an Attorney 3 to create policies and procedures, operating expenses (\$600), office supplies (\$600), telephone (\$672), computer equipment (\$17,016) to report the required information in FY 26 and subsequent fiscal years. The two (2) Business Analytics Specialists (\$272,242 - Salary/Fringe Benefits) will clean, validate, and analyze thousands of documents for accurate data compliance. These positions will need to compile trends, patterns, and anomalies for stakeholders to depict and interpret the data. The overtime for an Attorney 3 (60 hours X \$43 per hour = \$2,580 X 1.45% Medicare = \$2,617) is to develop policies and procedures regarding the collection of data, creation of a report, and annual data reporting.

Corrections: There is no anticipated fiscal impact to the Department of Corrections as a result of this legislation. The department reports that it is currently able to provide the required information and report to the DOJ and legislature annually.

GOHSEP: There is no anticipated fiscal impact to GOHSEP as a result of this legislation. When working with Federal/State grant sub-recipients (state agencies, parishes, local governments, and/or non-profits), GOHSEP will need to include the requirements of this measure as an insert to either existing requirements or through an attestation/addendum. Sub-recipients would then need to comply with all noted requirements.

DCFS: The department anticipates an increase in expenditures of \$305,559 (\$120,488 SGF and \$185,071 Federal) for system updates to child welfare and family support systems to incorporate new data collection fields or queries to verify citizenship, track payments, and report in FY 26.

One-time systems updates for the following systems:

- Division of Child Welfare:
 - *Tracking information Payment System (TIPS)
 - *Access
- Division of Family Support:
 - *Louisiana Automated Support Enforcement Systems (LASES)
 - *Louisiana Integrated Technology for Eligibility (LITE)

DCFS indicates that systems will need to be updated to incorporate new data collection fields or new integrated queries to verify citizenship or alien status, and the development of a new Technical Service assessment system is needed to identify and track payments.

LDR: The LFO is awaiting a response from LDR on the expenditure impact of providing the required information and reporting to the DOJ and legislature annually. LDR reports a potential expenditure increase of \$2 M or more. LFO is waiting on additional information on specific costs.

Board of Regents: The LFO is awaiting a response from the Board of Regents on the expenditure impact of providing the required information and reporting to the DOJ and legislature annually.

Higher Education Institutions:

The LSU system anticipates no expenditure impact as a result of this legislation. The new reporting requirements will add additional responsibility to existing positions; however, institutions within the LSU system are currently determining the eligibility of individuals receiving state services and benefits, including determining which individuals attempting to receive state services are illegal aliens or unaccompanied alien children.

The Southern University System does not anticipate any expenditure impact as a result of this legislation. The university's human resources department verifies the citizenship status of all employees and individuals awarded financial aid, and the Southern University System does not employ or award financial aid to illegal aliens or unaccompanied alien children.

The Louisiana Community and Technical College System (LCTCS) reports an anticipated increase in expenditures of roughly \$490,000 associated with the requirement to verify the citizenship of students enrolled at LCTCS colleges. This will require access to the federal Systematic Alien Verification for Entitlements (SAVE) system, which costs \$3.10 per case. LCTCS currently has roughly 158,000 total applicants for offered programs annually (158,000 applicants X \$3.10 per case = \$489,800).

The University of Louisiana System reports an indeterminable but minimal expenditure impact as a result of this legislation.

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